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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Business-Cooperative Service
Rural Utilities Service

Notice of Funds Availability (NOFA) for the Biorefinery
Assistance Program

AGENCY: Rural Business-Cooperative Service and Rural Utilities Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice on funding availability.

SUMMARY: This notice announces there will be no funds available for the Biorefinery Assistance Program for FY 2012. Applications will not be accepted under this program until further notice.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Biorefinery Assistance

Program provides guaranteed loans for the development and

construction of commercial-scale biorefineries and for the

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retrofitting of existing facilities using eligible technology for the development of advanced biofuels. For Fiscal Year 2012, the Agency has not been allocated funding to support this program. Applications will not be accepted until such funds are made available to the program.

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